Practical LLM projects at Te Herenga Waka



Five projects exploring practical use of LLMs at Vic

New AI research tools available in the Library

Marcus Harvey (Library)

Vic's Working Group on AI for teaching and learning

• Stella McIntosh (Acad. Integrity), Rob Stratford (Acad. Office)

Pūaha AI: a student-facing AI chatbot offering advice

• Leanne Gibson (CIO), Yvonne Green (Project Manager)

A staff-facing policy chatbot project

Matt Farrington (VUW Legal Counsel)

Advice to government departments on LLMs, from the Policy Hub

Andrew Jackson (Policy Hub), Simon McCallum (ECS)

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- There's also some manual conversation scripting in there.



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 - Side note: OpenAI's Head of Alignment, Jan Leike, just quit: 'Over the past years, safety culture and processes have taken a backseat to shiny products...'

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